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1. The headquarters and III Battalion of the 5th Signal Regiment, unit no. 4601, are located in the "Na Hurkach" Barracks in Pardubice. The I Battalion is located in the "17th November" Barracks in Prague-Ruzyne; the II Battalion is in the Kutna Hora. The 1st Company of I Battalion is equipped with ultra-shortwave transmitters of German origin; the 2nd Company is equipped with Siemens-Heller teleprinters and transmitters and receivers.* The 3rd Company consists of two listening posts with direction finders and transceiver intercept stations. Each company has 140 men, some of whom are on detached service with the Department of National Defense and the General Staff.
2. The 7th Company of the III Battalion is a radiotelegraphy company and has the following equipment, of German manufacture except as noted:

- 2 radio trucks with one kilowatt of input
- 1 radio truck with 1.5 kw of input
- 5 radio trucks with 100 watts of input
- 5 radio stations with 100 watts of input, single channel
- 1 radio truck with 80 watts of input
- 3 radio stations with 80 watts of input, single channel
- 10 radio stations with 15 watts of input
- 8 radio stations with 5 watts of input
- 6 walkie-talkies
- 2 radio stations of type 12 RPN, of Russian origin
- 3 radio stations, of US origin, stored in wooden cases about 150 cm by 80 cm by 30 cm.

The 8th Company is a radiotelephony company; the 9th Company is a telephone company equipped with eight-part telephone cable mounted on mobile drums. It is believed that the three companies of II Battalion are similar in organization and equipment to those of the III Battalion.

3. Officer personnel of the 5th Signal Regiment include the following:

- a. Regiment CO Lt. Colonel Brada, about 50 years old, 160 cm tall, with a round face and dark hair; an ardent Communist.
- b. I Battalion CO Major Josef Fiala, 39 years old, 170 cm tall, with

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a round face, and dark hair; a Communist.
He was arrested sometime during the winter
of 1949 - 1950.

c. 7th Company CO


Lt. Uhlir, 35 years old, 170 cm tall, with
blond hair and blue eyes; a Communist until
February 1948 when he withdrew from the
party.

d. Deputy CO of the 7th Co.

Lt. Mihula, 40 years old, 168 cm tall, with
dark hair; without political convictions.

Attachment: Sketch of the Barracks of the 5th Signal Regiment.

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*  Comment: It is believed that this should be Siemens und Halske.

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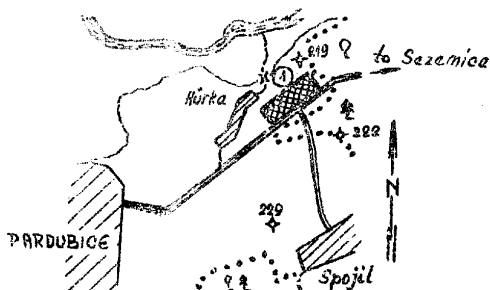
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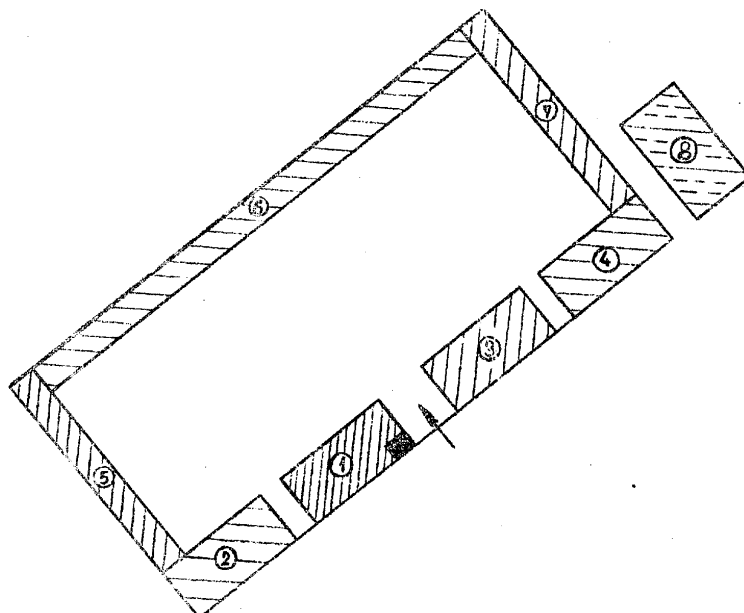
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ATTACHMENT

Barracks of the 5th Signal Regiment



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1. Headquarters of 5th Sig. Regt., guardroom, infirmary.
2. III Battalion
3. Radio mechanics' school
4. 183rd AA Battalion
5. Auxiliary stores
6. Garages
7. Antiaircraft artillery storage
8. New building of the International Radio School

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